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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO DOL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON ROK USE  
OF FORCED LABOR

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**¶11.** (SBU) Following consultations with government officials, NGOs, and members of the National Assembly, Post has no reason to believe that any specific goods in South Korea are produced by forced labor in violation of international standards. For more information on populations vulnerable to labor trafficking in South Korea, please refer to Post's forthcoming submission to the annual Trafficking in Persons report.

**¶12.** (SBU) Korea is a signatory to the following ILO conventions:

--ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, including four of the eight core conventions in the Declaration: Equal Remuneration Convention; Discrimination (employment and occupation) Convention; Minimum Age Convention; and Worst Forms of Child Labor Convention;  
--other ILO conventions including the following: Labor Inspection; Occupational Safety and Health; and Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health.

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